

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 5120

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING BOW HUNTING ON PRIVATE LAND ON SUNDAY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 26-73 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):
- 3 (a) Sunday shall be a closed season except for the purpose of 4 trapping under the provisions of this chapter. The possession in the 5 open air on Sunday of any implement for hunting shall be prima facie evidence of hunting in violation of the provisions of this section. No 6 7 provision of this section shall be construed so as to affect any provision 8 of section 26-31, 26-48, 26-52 or 27-35 or apply to the use of bow and arrow for purposes other than hunting. Artificially propagated birds 10 designated by the commissioner may be shot on Sundays on licensed 11 private shooting preserves subject to such regulations of the 12 commissioner as may apply to such private shooting preserves, 13 provided permission so to shoot has been obtained from the town or 14 towns within which such licensed private shooting preserves are 15 located.

- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, 16
- 17 bow and arrow hunting on private land shall be allowed on Sunday
- 18 with the written permission of the owner of such land, provided such
- 19 bow and arrow hunting is approved by the Commissioner of
- 20 Environmental Protection as being for the purpose of wildlife
- 21 management.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2007	26-73

Statement of Purpose:

To permit Sunday bow and arrow hunting on private land for wildlife management.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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